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On instructions from my Government, I transmit to you herewith a statistical summary of Israeli violations of Security Council resolution 1701 (2006) committed during the month of May 2015 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex issued as a document of the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 35, and of the Security Council.

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Annex to the identical letters dated 25 June 2015 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

Land violations

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
2 May 2015	1546	Inside the occupied Shab'a Farms, an Israeli enemy patrol comprising three soldiers positioned itself near observation point OP5 of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) Indian contingent. One of the soldiers fired six shots into the air over Lebanese territory.
3 May 2015	1550	From inside occupied Palestinian territory, opposite the town of Kafr Killa at the Fatimah gate, an Israeli enemy soldier threw a sardine tin with Hebrew writing on it over the separation barrier into Lebanese territory.
5 May 2015	1610	From inside occupied Palestinian territory, opposite observation point OP8 of the Lebanese Army, an Israeli enemy Merkava tank positioned itself behind the earthen berm and pointed its cannon in the direction of Lebanese territory.
7 May 2015	1430	In the Jabal al-Shahl locality on the outskirts of the town of Shab'a, near observation point OP2 of the UNIFIL Indian contingent, an Israeli enemy patrol comprising 12 soldiers violated the line of withdrawal, entering some 50 metres into Lebanese territory. The patrol set off in the direction of occupied territory at 1520 hours.
	2220 2310	From inside occupied Palestinian territory at its position opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, the Israeli enemy directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territory for four periods of five minutes, two minutes, four minutes and one minute, respectively.
	2325	From inside occupied Shab'a Farms, at the Ramta farm position south of Kafr Shuba, the Israeli enemy fired some 15 medium weapon rounds into the air in the direction of Lebanese territory, over Lebanese Army position L352 at Bastra.
8 May 2015	2205	From inside occupied Palestinian territory, at pillar No. 40 opposite the Wazzani resort, an Israeli enemy patrol comprising two Hummer jeeps appeared, and its members directed a searchlight in the direction of Lebanese territory. The patrol set off in the direction of occupied territory at 2235 hours.
9 May 2015	1410	From inside the occupied Shab'a Farms, the Israeli enemy fired into the air in the direction of Lebanese territory above a herd of goats in the Ruwaysat al-Alam locality on the outskirts of the town of Kafr Shuba.
	1615	From inside the occupied Shab'a Farms, members of an Israeli enemy foot patrol fired into the air in the direction of Lebanese territory, above a shepherd named Hasan Zahra, at the Birkat al-Naqqar locality on the outskirts of the town of Shab'a near observation point OP3 of the UNIFIL Indian contingent.
11 May 2015	1500	From inside the occupied Shab'a Farms, members of an Israeli enemy foot patrol fired into the air in the direction of Lebanese territory, above a shepherd named Hasan Zahra, in the area of Khallat al-Wasi'ah on the outskirts of the town of Shab'a.

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
13 May 2015	1400	From inside occupied Palestinian territory, opposite Sahl al-Khiyam near the Metulla settlement, an Israeli enemy patrol comprising two Hummer jeeps released red and black balloons with Hebrew writing on them over Lebanese territory. The patrol set off in the direction of occupied territory at 1430 hours.
16 May 2015	0700	From inside occupied Palestinian territory, opposite the Wazzani resort near pillar No. 40, an Israeli enemy patrol comprising 31 soldiers and a dog appeared, crossed the technical fence, and conducted a foot patrol along the river up to the gate opposite the Lebanese Army Wazzani pump position. At 0900 hours, opposite Wazzani observation point OP8, two Merkava tanks appeared. One of them crossed the technical fence and positioned itself behind the earthen berm, pointing its cannon in the direction of Lebanese territory without crossing the Blue Line. The patrol left through the Maysat and Wazzani gates at 1150 hours.
	1050	From inside the occupied Shab'a Farms, an Israeli enemy patrol comprising eight vehicles and 25 soldiers arrived at the Birkat al-Naqqar position and inspected some surveillance cameras. The vehicles and soldiers set off in the direction of the Ruwaysat al-Alam post inside the aforementioned farms at 1130 hours.
18 May 2015	1300	On the outskirts of the town of Shab'a at the Jabal al-Shahl locality, an Israeli enemy patrol comprising 12 soldiers crossed the line of withdrawal and proceeded some 80 metres beyond it in an attempt to abduct the civilian Hussein Zahra, a shepherd, and his herd, but failed to do so when he fled in the direction of the town of Shab'a. They drove part of his herd into the occupied Shab'a Farms before returning it to Lebanese territory at 1345 hours.
19 May 2015	0930 1800	From inside occupied Palestinian territory at the Abbasiyah locality, opposite Spanish contingent position 28-4, three Israeli enemy bulldozers arrived escorted by a Hummer vehicle and two Defender vehicles appeared. The bulldozers proceeded to erect earthen berms and cut a road.
	2020 2145	From inside occupied Palestinian territory at its position opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, the Israeli enemy directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territory.
21 May 2015	0910 0920	From inside occupied Palestinian territory, opposite Labbunah near the Labbunah position, the Israeli enemy pointed an automatic weapon in the direction of Lebanese territory and a Lebanese Army patrol.
	1330 1730	From inside the occupied Shab'a Farms at the Saddanah locality, opposite observation point OP4 of the UNIFIL Indian contingent, the Israeli enemy erected earthen berms using an engineering vehicle, which was escorted by a patrol comprising three vehicles and 12 enemy soldiers.
25 May 2015	1030	From inside occupied Palestinian territory, opposite the Kafr Killa–Udaysah road near crossing point B82, while an Israeli enemy patrol was inspecting sensors on the technical fence, one of its members directed abusive language at a Lebanese Army patrol. The hostile patrol set off in the direction of occupied territory at 1140 hours.

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
27 May 2015	1200	From inside the occupied Shab'a Farms, at the Jabal al-Rus–Saddanah locality, the Israeli enemy used a D9 construction vehicle to clear and widen a dirt road and erect earthen berms opposite observation points OP3 and OP4 of the UNIFIL Indian contingent. The construction vehicle was escorted by a patrol comprising two Merkava tanks and 15 soldiers, who were deployed at the location.
28 May 2015	0930	From inside the occupied Shab'a Farms at the Jabal al-Rus–Saddanah locality, the Israeli enemy used a D9 construction vehicle to clear and widen a dirt road from the Ruwaysat al-Alam post to a point opposite observation point OP3 of the UNIFIL Indian contingent, using a D9 engineering vehicle escorted by a patrol comprising a troop transport, a Merkava tank and 15 soldiers, who were deployed at the location.
	1600	From inside occupied Palestinian territory, opposite the towns of Kafr Killa and Udaysah, an Israeli enemy agricultural tractor arrived and sprayed pesticide in the direction of Lebanese territory on the vegetation near the technical fence. It set off in the direction of occupied territory at 1630 hours.
	1840 1850	While an Israeli enemy army patrol comprising three vehicles was passing on the dirt road that runs along the technical fence near the Bayad position opposite the town of Blida, members of the hostile patrol directed obscene hand gestures and annoying and provocative noises at personnel at the Lebanese Army observation point at Bi'r Shu'ayb.
	2045 2110	From inside the occupied Shab'a Farms at their position in the Summaqah locality, Israeli enemy forces directed several bursts of medium weapon fire towards the surrounding area.
29 May 2015	0530 0820	From inside the occupied Shab'a Farms at their position in the Summaqah locality, Israeli enemy forces directed several bursts of medium-weapons fire towards the surrounding area.
	0900	From inside the occupied Shab'a Farms, an Israeli enemy patrol comprising a Merkava tank, 18 soldiers and engineering vehicles (a bulldozer and two Poclain excavators) was observed continuing the road work that had begun on 28 May 2015.
31 May 2015	1800 1930	From inside the occupied Shab'a Farms, an Israeli enemy bulldozer appeared and engaged in maintenance work on the Ruwaysat al-Alam post. The Israel enemy also directed several bursts of medium weapon fire from the Ruwaysat al-Alam post towards the surrounding area.

Sea violations

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
1 May 2015	0425	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 205 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over an eight-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
	0805	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 300 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a seven-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
	0854	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 300 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a six-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
	1007	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 278 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a five-minute period before setting off the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
	1110	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 260 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a seven-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
	1751	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 200 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a two-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
4 May 2015	0435	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 260 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a two-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters at 0437 hours.
8 May 2015	1045	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 150 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a four-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
	2120	From inside Palestinian territory, opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch opened fire in the direction of Lebanese territorial waters.
9 May 2015	2310	From inside Palestinian territory, opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, Israeli enemy soldiers directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territorial waters for a period of 30 seconds.
10 May 2015	0100 0105	From inside Palestinian territory, at its position opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, the Israeli enemy directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territorial waters for two periods of 30 seconds each.

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
	0102	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 160 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a two-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
12 May 2015	0835	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 150 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a five-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
	0940	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 75 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a one-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
13 May 2015	2100	From inside occupied Palestinian territory, at its position opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, the Israeli enemy directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territorial waters for a period of 10 seconds.
14 May 2015	0605	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 316 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a one-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
	0707	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 371 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a three-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
	2110	From occupied Palestinian territory, at its position opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, the Israeli enemy directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territorial waters for a period of 30 seconds.
16 May 2015	0325 0330	From inside occupied Palestinian waters, an Israeli military launch directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territorial waters for two periods of two minutes each.
19 May 2015	0110 0115	An Israeli enemy military launch fired two flares near the line of buoys into Lebanese territorial waters.
	1240	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 250 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a one-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
	1404	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 250 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a five-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
	2020	From inside occupied Palestinian territory, at its position opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, the Israeli enemy directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territorial waters for a period of one hour and twenty-five minutes.
	2225	From inside occupied Palestinian territorial waters, opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territorial waters for a period of 10 seconds.
	2310 2345	From inside occupied Palestinian territory, at its position opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, the Israeli enemy directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territorial waters for one minute and then again for 20 minutes.
20 May 2015	0010	From inside occupied Palestinian territory, at its position opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, the Israeli enemy directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territorial waters for a period of 45 seconds.
	0100	From inside occupied Palestinian territory, at its position opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, the Israeli enemy directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territorial waters for a period of 20 minutes.
	0300	From inside occupied Palestinian territorial waters, opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territorial waters for a period of one minute.
	2115 2116	From inside occupied Palestinian territory, opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, two Israeli enemy military launches conducted an exercise along the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, in the course of which they fired a flared near the aforementioned boundary.
	2225	From inside occupied Palestinian territory, at its position opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, the Israeli enemy directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territorial waters for a period of 10 seconds.
21 May 2015	0115 0355	From inside occupied Palestinian territory, at its position opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, the Israeli enemy directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territorial waters for three periods of 30 seconds each.
	0340 0415	From inside occupied Palestinian territorial waters, opposite Ra's Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territorial waters for three periods of two minutes, one minute and two minutes, respectively.
	0830	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 425 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a 15-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
	0841	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 500 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a period of three hours and forty-three minutes before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
	0910	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 225 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a 38-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
	1205	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 240 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a 16-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
27 May 2015	0739	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 280 metres into Lebanese territorial waters before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters at 0850 hours.
28 May 2015	1748	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 100 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a three-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
29 May 2015	1833	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 150 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a two-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
31 May 2015	0328	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 330 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a nine-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
	0335	From inside occupied Palestinian territorial waters, opposite Ra's Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch directed a searchlight towards a Lebanese fishing boat located more than 150 metres north of the border. One of the launch's crew shouted "Go back" over a loudspeaker in the direction of the aforementioned fishing boat.
	0340	From inside occupied Palestinian territorial waters, opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territorial waters for a period of 30 seconds.
	0345	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 150 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a two-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
	0348	Off Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch violated the southern maritime boundary established by Decree No. 6433 (2011) of 1 October 2011, proceeding some 300 metres into Lebanese territorial waters over a 12-minute period before setting off in the direction of occupied Palestinian territorial waters.
	0352	From inside occupied Palestinian territorial waters, opposite Ra's al-Naqurah, an Israeli enemy military launch directed a searchlight towards Lebanese territorial waters for a period of 20 seconds.

Air violations

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
1 May 2015	0910	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese territory, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 1430 hours over Rumaysh.
	0940	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over the South before leaving at 1520 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
2 May 2015	0610	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 1740 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
3 May 2015	0645	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek, Hirmil and the South before leaving at 1720 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
	0655	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese territory, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over the South, Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 1655 hours over Rumaysh.
	1550	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over the sea west of Beirut. It circled over Baalbek, Hirmil and Arz before leaving at 2345 hours over the sea west of Naqurah.
4 May 2015	0625	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over the South before leaving at 1910 hours over Rumaysh.
	1800 1845	Two Israeli enemy helicopters circled over the occupied Shab'a Farms.
5 May 2015	1300	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 1600 hours over the sea off Naqurah.
	1345	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over Beirut and its suburbs before leaving at 1310 hours over Naqurah.
6 May 2015	0905	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over Beirut and its suburbs before leaving at 1455 hours over the sea off Naqurah.
	1110	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 1405 hours over Naqurah.
7 May 2015	0700	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese territory, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 1050 hours over Kafr Killa.
	0720	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over the South before leaving at 1520 hours over Rumaysh.

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	1030	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Rumaysh. It circled over the South before leaving at 1345 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
	1510	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Rumaysh. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Bisharri before leaving at 1930 hours over Naqurah.
8 May 2015	0850	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 1615 hours over Rumaysh.
10 May 2015	1235	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over the South before leaving at 1805 hours over Aytarun.
11 May 2015	1020	Two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Aytarun. They circled over all regions of Lebanon before leaving at 1140 hours over the sea off Naqurah.
13 May 2015	0645	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over the South before leaving at 1410 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
	1020	Two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. They circled over all regions of Lebanon before leaving at 1220 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
14 May 2015	1410	Two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over the sea off Shikka. They circled over all regions of Lebanon before leaving at 1450 hours over Kafr Killa.
15 May 2015	0700	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 0950 hours over Rumaysh.
	0835	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Rumaysh. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 0235 hours on 16 May 2015 over Alma al-Sha'b.
16 May 2015	0220	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese territory, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over Riyaq and Baalbek, before leaving at 2000 hours over Rumaysh.
	0910	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over the Western Bekaa, the South, Riyaq and Baalbek before leaving at 0600 hours on 17 May 2015 over Kafr Killa.
17 May 2015	0910	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over the South before leaving at 1925 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
	1010	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over Beirut and its suburbs, Jubayl and Batrun before leaving at 1525 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
	1030	Two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. They circled over all regions of Lebanon before leaving at 1210 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
18 May 2015	0635	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 1000 hours over the sea off Shikka and heading west.
	1050	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over the occupied Shab'a Farms. It circled over the Western Bekaa, Hasbayya, Rashayya, Zahlah, Kasrawan, Matn and Ba'abda before leaving at 1455 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
	2215 2235	Two Israeli enemy helicopters circled over occupied territory.
19 May 2015	0700	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over the Western Bekaa and the South before leaving at 1125 hours over Kafr Killa.
	0720	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over Iqlim al-Kharrub and the South before leaving at 0800 hours over Naqurah.
	0740	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over Iqlim al-Kharrub and the South before leaving at 0955 hours over Naqurah.
	1010	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Rumaysh. It circled over Iqlim al-Kharrub and the South before leaving at 1335 hours over Kafr Killa.
	1040	Two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Aytarun. They circled over all regions of Lebanon before leaving at 1205 hours over Kafr Killa.
	1205	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over the Rashayya and Hasbayya before leaving at 1530 hours over Rumaysh.
	1720	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over Beirut and its suburbs and the South before leaving at 2025 hours over Rumaysh.
20 May 2015	0915	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over the sea west of Naqurah. It circled over Jubayl, Shikka and the South before leaving at 1825 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
	2245	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over the South before leaving at 0700 hours on 21 May 2015 over Rumaysh.

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
21 May 2015	0620	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese territory, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 1425 hours over Rumaysh.
	0910	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese territory, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek, Hirmil and Akkar before leaving at 1800 hours over Kafr Killa.
	1030	Two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. They circled over all regions of Lebanon before leaving at 1200 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.
	1830	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over the South before leaving at 2340 hours over Rumaysh.
23 May 2015	0600	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and the South before leaving at 1700 hours over Naqurah.
24 May 2015	0620	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over the South before leaving at 1700 hours over Rumaysh.
26 May 2015	0830	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over the South before leaving at 1520 hours over Rumaysh.
	0920	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Rumaysh. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek and the South before leaving at 2135 hours over the sea off Naqurah.
	1005	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over the South before leaving at 1640 hours over the sea off Naqurah.
	1125	Two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Aytarun. They circled over all regions of Lebanon before leaving at 1210 hours over the sea off Naqurah.
	1310	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over the sea west of Naqurah. It circled over the South before leaving at 1620 hours over the sea west of Naqurah.
	2005	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It flew as far as Iqlim al-Kharrub and then turned south before leaving at 2030 hours over the sea off Naqurah.
	2205	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over the sea west of Naqurah. It circled over Iqlim al-Kharrub and the South before leaving at 0655 hours on 27 May 2015 over Alma al-Sha'b.
27 May 2015	0655	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Kafr Killa. It circled over Riyaq, Baalbek, Hirmil, Iqlim al-Kharrub and the South before leaving at 1350 hours over Naqurah.

Date	*Time*	*Nature of violation*
28 May 2015	0925	Two Israeli enemy warplanes violated Lebanese airspace, entering over the sea west of Shikka. They circled over all regions of Lebanon before leaving at 1025 hours Rumaysh.
	0930	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over the sea west of Shikka. It circled over Baalbek and Hirmil before leaving at 1600 hours over Kafr Killa.
29 May 2015	1500	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Alma al-Sha'b. It circled over the South before leaving at 2330 hours over Naqurah.
	1505	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over the sea west of Beirut. It circled over Beirut and its suburbs and the South before leaving at 2210 hours over Rumaysh.
31 May 2015	0605	An Israeli enemy reconnaissance aircraft violated Lebanese airspace, entering over Naqurah. It circled over Iqlim al-Kharrub and the South before leaving at 1900 hours over Alma al-Sha'b.

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I am writing to you once again to note Lebanese violations of Security Council resolution 1701 (2006) and breaches of Israeli sovereignty during the past month (see annex). As outlined in the present letter and in previous letters that I have sent, Lebanese violations of the Blue Line and Hizbullah's armed presence in southern Lebanon are daily occurrences. Despite their visibility and regularity, the vast majority of violations are consistently excluded from the Secretariat's reports.

Hizbullah, an internationally recognized terrorist group, commits a double war crime by embedding its extensive military infrastructure among the civilian population in southern Lebanon and by aiming its weapons at Israeli cities and towns. The villages of southern Lebanon have been transformed into military staging grounds and weapons depots for Hizbullah and the residents have become human shields. Despite those blatant violations of resolution 1701 (2006), the Security Council has yet to condemn Hizbullah or demand that Hizbullah be disarmed.

Israel will not accept any attacks on its territory and, if needed, will exercise its right to self-defence and take all measures necessary to protect its population and territory. Hizbullah must be publicly and unequivocally condemned. I urge the international community to demand that Lebanon abide by its international commitments to fully implement resolution 1701 (2006).

I should be grateful if you would circulate the present letter and its annex to the members of the Security Council as a document of the Council.

(*Signed*) Ron **Prosor**
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

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Annex to the identical letters dated 8 July 2015 from the Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

Lebanese violations as reported by the Israel Defense Forces

June 2015

Serial No	*Date*	*Time*	*Violation*	*Description*
1.	01/06	12:35	6512	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B22(2).
2.	01/06	12:15	6513	Three (3) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO AP575.
3.	01/06	13:06	6514	Three (3) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO M9.
4.	02/06	10:20	6515	One (1) man was observed climbing on the BL barrel IVO BP5(1).
5.	02/06	11:09	6516	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP13.
6.	02/06	14:48	6517	One (1) man was observed crossing the BL IVO Mt. Dov.
7.	02/06	16:44	6518	One (1) Hizbullah militant was observed performing military recce IVO BP23(1).
8.	03/06	09:48	6519	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP13.
9.	03/06	10:50	6520	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B38.
10.	03/06	12:40	6521	Four (4) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B26(2).
11.	03/06	11:49	6522	Five (5) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP23(2).
12.	03/06	14:16	6523	Four (4) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B11.
13.	03/06	16:04	6524	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO Mt. Dov.
14.	03/06	18:03	6525	One (1) armed man was observed IVO B59.
15.	04/06	15:08	6526	Three (3) armed men were observed IVO B66(2).

Abbreviations: AP, additional point; B, barrel; BL, Blue Line; BP, boundary pillar; IVO, in the vicinity of; M, point on the Blue Line (marked after 2000); TF, technical fence; TP, technical post.

Serial No.	Date	Time	Violation	Description
16.	05/06	08:44	6527	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO Mt. Dov.
17.	05/06	11:51	6528	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP13.
18.	05/06	18:31	6529	Three (3) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP13.
19.	05/06	18:30	6530	Two (2) men were observed climbing on the BL barrel IVO BP19.
20.	06/06	10:28	6531	One (1) man was observed crossing the BL IVO Wazzani.
21.	06/06	10:42	6532	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP12.
22.	06/06	11:02	6533	One (1) Hizbullah militant was observed performing military recce IVO BP7.
23.	06/06	13:22	6534	One (1) man was observed crossing the BL IVO Mt. Dov.
24.	07/06	16:13	6535	One (1) armed man was observed IVO Mt. Dov.
25.	07/06	18:44	6536	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP13.
26.	08/06	11:04	6537	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP13.
27.	08/06	11:18	6538	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO Mt. Dov.
28.	09/06	08:43	6539	Three (3) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B7.
29.	09/06	09:00	6540	Three (3) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO M9.
30.	09/06	11:41	6541	Five (5) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP23(1).
31.	09/06	11:39	6542	One (1) Hizbullah militant was observed performing military recce IVO BP13(1).
32.	09/06	12:10	6543	Five (5) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B76.
33.	09/06	15:24	6544	Five (5) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP34.
34.	10/06	10:51	6545	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP13.
35.	11/06	06:10	6546	Two (2) men were observed crossing the BL IVO BP15.

Serial No.	*Date*	*Time*	*Violation*	*Description*
36.	11/06	11:34	6547	Five (5) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B38.
37.	11/06	12:26	6548	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B63.
38.	11/06	12:51	6549	Four (4) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B38.
39.	11/06	13:21	6550	Five (5) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B25(2).
40.	11/06	14:39	6551	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B72(2).
41.	12/06	10:35	6552	Three (3) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP13.
42.	12/06	11:46	6553	Three (3) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B32.
43.	13/06	09:06	6554	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP13.
44.	13/06	12:14	6555	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO AP131.
45.	14/06	12:10	6556	One (1) Hizbullah militant was observed performing military recce IVO TP36(1).
46.	14/06	12:10	6557	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP13.
47.	15/06	12:43	6558	Three (3) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B38.
48.	15/06	14:00	6559	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B38.
49.	05/06	13:05	6561	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B76.
50.	05/06	13:40	6562	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP33.
51.	13/06	10:50	6563	Five (5) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B62(1).
52.	13/06	10:50	6564	Five (5) Hizbullah militants were observed climbing on a BL barrel IVO B62(1).
53.	04/06	12:20	6566	Five (5) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO Mt. Dov.

Serial No.	*Date*	*Time*	*Violation*	*Description*
54.	08/06	08:40	6567	Five (5) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO Mt. Dov.
55.	16/06	15:45	6568	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP13.
56.	17/06	12:10	6569	Four (4) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B38.
57.	18/06	09:12	6571	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP13.
58.	18/06	11:27	6572	Three (3) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B77.
59.	19/06	00:09	6573	Five (5) armed men were observed IVO Mt. Dov.
60.	19/06	05:43	6574	One (1) man was observed crossing the BL IVO TP16.
61.	19/06	10:07	6575	One (1) man was observed crossing the BL IVO Mt. Dov.
62.	19/06	11:46	6576	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B60(1).
63.	20/06	10:00	6577	One (1) Hizbullah militant was observed performing military recce IVO B11.
64.	20/06	14:50	6578	Three (3) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B12(3).
65.	21/06	06:40	6579	Two (2) armed men were observed IVO Mt. Dov.
66.	21/06	11:34	6580	One (1) armed man was observed IVO Mt. Dov.
67.	22/06	05:29	6581	Three (3) men were observed crossing the BL IVO TP16.
68.	22/06	10:30	6582	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP13.
69.	22/06	16:36	6583	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP13.
70.	22/06	14:55	6584	One (1) man was observed crossing the BL IVO BP11.
71.	22/06	16:30	6585	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP13.
72.	23/06	05:30	6586	Five (5) men were observed crossing the BL IVO TP16.
73.	23/06	09:44	6587	One (1) man was observed crossing the BL IVO Mt. Dov.
74.	23/06	09:50	6588	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B31.
75.	23/06	10:07	6589	One (1) armed man was observed IVO B64(1).

Serial No	*Date*	*Time*	*Violation*	*Description*
76.	23/06	12:16	6590	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B31.
77.	23/06	13:23	6591	One (1) man was observed crossing the BL IVO Mt. Dov.
78.	23/06	16:48	6592	Two (2) men were observed crossing the BL IVO Mt. Dov.
79.	23/06	17:28	6593	One (1) Hizbullah militant was observed performing military recce IVO B30.
80.	24/06	04:30	6594	Two (2) men were observed crossing the BL IVO Mt. Dov.
81.	24/06	17:00	6595	Two (2) men were observed crossing the BL IVO Mt. Dov.
82.	25/06	05:58	6596	Two (2) men were observed crossing the BL IVO BP15.
83.	25/06	13:15	6597	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B72(1).
84.	25/06	17:08	6598	One (1) Hizbullah militant was observed performing military recce IVO B75.
85.	26/06	04:13	6599	Two (2) men were observed crossing the BL IVO BP15.
86.	26/06	14:30	6600	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B72(1).
87.	26/06	15:28	6601	Two (2) men were observed crossing the BL IVO Mt. Dov.
88.	27/06	04:45	6602	Four (4) men were observed crossing the BL IVO BP15.
89.	27/06	16:35	6603	Two (2) men were observed crossing the BL IVO Mt. Dov.
90.	27/06	16:35-17:17	6604	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B31.
91.	28/06	09:17	6605	Two (2) men were observed crossing the BL IVO Mt. Dov.
92.	28/06	16:45	6606	Two (2) armed men were observed IVO AP243.
93.	28/06	17:11	6607	Two (2) men were observed crossing the BL IVO Mt. Dov.
94.	29/06	06:05	6608	One (1) armed man was observed IVO B50.
95.	29/06	06:17	6609	Two (2) men were observed crossing the BL IVO BP15.
96.	29/06	10:24	6610	One (1) man was observed crossing the BL IVO BP13(1).
97.	29/06	12:08	6611	One (1) Hizbullah militant was observed performing military recce IVO B18.
98.	29/06	14:10	6612	Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B69(1).

Serial No.	*Date*	*Time*	*Violation*	*Description*
99.	29/06	15:12	6613	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO B31.
100.	29/06	17:22	6614	Two (2) men were observed crossing the BL IVO Mt. Dov.
101.	29/06	18:02	6615	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP13.
102.	30/06	14:02	6616	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP26.
103.	30/06	15:05	6617	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP13.
104.	30/06	20:00	6618	Two (2) Hizbullah militants were observed performing military recce IVO BP13.

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I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the "Decision on the report of the Peace and Security Council on its activities and the state of peace and security in Africa", adopted by the African Union at its twenty-fifth ordinary session, held in Johannesburg, South Africa, on 14 and 15 June 2015.

I should be grateful if you could have the present letter and its annex circulated to the members of the Security Council and issued as a document of the Council.

(*Signed*) Téte **António**
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Decision on the report of the Peace and Security Council on its activities and the state of peace and security in Africa*

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The Assembly

1. **Takes note** of the report of the Council for Peace and Security on its activities and the peace and security situation in Africa;

2. **Expresses satisfaction with** the efforts deployed at the continental and regional level to address the scourge of conflicts and promote lasting peace and security. The Assembly notes with concern that, despite its efforts, Africa continues to face serious conflicts and crises with devastating humanitarian and socioeconomic consequences;

3. **Urgently appeals for** stronger action in the area of conflict prevention, management and resolution, as well as in the area of peacebuilding and post-conflict reconstruction. To this end, the Assembly stresses the critical importance of promoting good governance and respect for the rule of law, in keeping with the commitments made by Member States within the framework of relevant African Union instruments;

4. **Underlines** the critical role of women in the promotion of peace, security and stability in Africa, and welcomes all the steps taken by the Peace and Security Council and the Commission in this respect;

5. **Notes with satisfaction** the significant progress Côte d'Ivoire continues to make in the area of post-conflict reconstruction, and **encourages** all stakeholders to work to ensure the success of the presidential elections scheduled for October 2015. The Council **commends** the Government of Guinea-Bissau for the reforms already embarked upon to promote stability and ensure economic recovery. The Assembly **calls upon** all the countries and organizations that made pledges at the donor round table held in Brussels, Belgium, on 25 March 2015, to honour their commitments as soon as possible. The Assembly welcomes the strides that Tunisia continues to make after the completion of the transition period. The Assembly **reaffirms** its support for the efforts aimed at ensuring stabilization and socioeconomic recovery in Madagascar, **takes note** of the decision of the High Constitutional Court of 12 June 2015 rejecting the resolution impeaching the President of the Republic, and **calls upon** all the parties to comply with the said decision and work towards the creation of a stable environment to enable Madagascar to continue to enjoy international support;

6. **Also notes with satisfaction** the end of the Ebola epidemic in Liberia and the significant progress made by Guinea and Sierra Leone in combating the epidemic. The Assembly **underscores** the need for sustained mobilization in order to completely eradicate the scourge, and to provide more economic and financial support to ensure sustainable economic recovery in the affected countries;

* Decision Assembly/AU/Dec.583 (XXV).

7. **Welcomes** the signing of the Malian Peace and Reconciliation Agreement resulting from the Algiers Process in Bamako on 15 May 2015 by the Malian Government, the Algiers Platform Movement and some groups of the Coordination Movement of the Azawad (CMA). The Assembly **takes note** of the commitment of CMA to sign the Agreement in Bamako on 20 June 2015 following the conclusion in Algiers on 5 June 2015, the record of conclusions of the preparatory consultations on the implementation of the peace and reconciliation agreement in Mali, as well as the security arrangements for the cessation of hostilities. The Assembly **expresses** the full support of the African Union for the Peace and Reconciliation Agreement and **calls for** the strict implementation of the Agreement and the mobilization of the needed resources. The Assembly expresses its deep appreciation to the Mediation team led by Algeria for their efforts; **affirms** that only the Malian Defence and Security Forces have the right and legitimacy to occupy the entire national territory within the framework of their sovereign mission to protect borders, persons and their property, and any occupation by non-State irregular forces is illegal; and therefore **demands** that such occupation should cease;

8. **Commends** the authorities and the other stakeholders in Burkina Faso for their commitment to a peaceful and successful transition, and **urges** them to persevere in their efforts in a spirit of consensus and harmony. The Assembly **makes an urgent appeal** to Member States and the entire international community to mobilize the required financial resources and logistical support for the holding of presidential, legislative and local elections scheduled to take place between October 2015 and January 2016. The Assembly **also welcomes** the successful holding of the Bangui Forum for Reconciliation in the Central African Republic and **urges** the Central African stakeholders to effectively implement the recommendations of the Forum. The Assembly stresses the need for the holding of elections in order to complete the transition in the Central African Republic by the end of 2015, in accordance with the communiqué of the sixteenth ordinary session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS), held in N'Djamena on 25 May 2015;

9. **Stresses** the need to revive the implementation process of the Peace, Security and Cooperation Framework Agreement for the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the Region and to strengthen its governance structures, and **provides its full support** for the initiatives agreed upon by the guarantors of the Framework Agreement at their second meeting in Johannesburg on 13 June 2015. The Assembly **reiterates** the need for urgent and effective neutralization of the Democratic Forces for the Liberation of Rwanda (FDLR) and all the other negative forces and armed groups operating in the East of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and, in this regard, **encourages** the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo to continue the military offensives initiated for that purpose, **invites** the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the United Nations to establish, through the ongoing strategic dialogue between them, conditions conducive to the resumption of military cooperation between the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUSCO), and **encourages** the rapid repatriation of elements of FDLR who have already been disarmed and are in transit camps, as well as their dependants. The Assembly **stresses** the need for speedy implementation of the December 2013 Nairobi Declaration on the Kampala Dialogue between the Congolese Government and the Movement of 23 March;

10. **Welcomes** the progress made in the political process in Somalia towards the realization of Vision 2016, and **urges** the Somali stakeholders to stay on course in order to fulfil the aspirations of their people to peace, security and stability. The Assembly **pays tribute** to the African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM) and the troop- and police-contributing countries for the achievements made on the ground and for their sacrifices, and **calls on** the United Nations and the other international partners to extend to the Mission the support that is commensurate with the challenges at hand, bearing in mind that, in deploying AMISOM, the African Union is active on behalf of the United Nations Security Council, which has primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security;

11. **Reiterates its concern** at the continued impasse in the peace process between Eritrea and Ethiopia, and **requests** the Commission to take the required initiatives to overcome the challenges at hand. The Assembly **also calls for** continued efforts to facilitate the normalization of the relations between Djibouti and Eritrea;

12. **Reiterates** the African Union's support to the National Dialogue Initiative in the Sudan and calls on all stakeholders to work towards its successful implementation, with the support of the African Union High-level Implementation Panel (AUHIP), in order to address comprehensively the challenges facing the country. The Assembly **calls on** the parties in Darfur and South Kordofan and Blue Nile to demonstrate renewed commitment towards achieving a cessation of hostilities in these regions, in order to facilitate the political process;

13. **Encourages** the Sudan and South Sudan, with the continued support of AUHIP, to expedite their efforts towards the full implementation of the September 2012 Cooperation Agreement, and to take the necessary steps to address the issue of the Abyei Area;

14. **Reiterates** its support to the ongoing efforts to promote a regional and holistic approach to the challenges of peace, security, stability and development in the Horn of Africa, in support of the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD), and **encourages** the Commission, through AUHIP, to expedite its efforts in this respect;

15. **Expresses its concern** in the face of the grave crisis in Burundi and the risk that the current political impasse poses to the gains made by the Arusha Agreement for Peace and Reconciliation in Burundi and to the Comprehensive Cease-fire Agreement of 2003. The Council condemns all acts of violence in Burundi, calls for respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms and urges all the Burundian stakeholders to uphold the spirit of dialogue and consensus and to find a lasting political solution to the current crisis in accordance with the Arusha Agreement and the Constitution of Burundi. The Assembly expresses its full support to the efforts of the East African Community (EAC) and those being deployed by the Chairperson of the Commission; welcomes the work of the Peace and Security Council in finding a solution; and calls for the implementation of the relevant decisions;

16. **Reiterates the African Union's deep concern** at the prevailing dire security and humanitarian situation on the ground in South Sudan. The Assembly **strongly condemns** all the ceasefire violations committed by the parties, as well as the attacks and other egregious acts of violence and abuses of human rights against

civilians and humanitarian agencies. The Assembly **notes with disappointment** the continued impasse in the peace process, and **calls on** the parties to demonstrate the required political will and commitment to end the current tragedy in their country. The Assembly **reiterates** the African Union's support for the IGAD-led efforts and, in this respect, **welcomes** the operationalization of the African Union High-level ad hoc Committee for South Sudan, as well as the appointment of former President Alpha Oumar Konaré of Mali as the African Union High Representative for South Sudan, and **expresses appreciation** to the Peace and Security Council for remaining actively seized of the matter. The Assembly **also welcomes** the initiative taken by the Chama Cha Mapinduzi (CCM) and the African National Congress (ANC) to facilitate dialogue within the Sudan People's Liberation Movement (SPLM). The Assembly **calls for** enhanced humanitarian support for the needy populations;

17. **Strongly condemns** the continuation of hostilities in Libya and the attacks against civilians and **reiterates its grave concern** over the worsening humanitarian crisis. The Assembly also **expresses deep concern** about the worsening scourge of terrorism in Libya and **reaffirms** the need for continued and renewed efforts to fight against this scourge. The Assembly **supports** the legitimate Government in its efforts to fight terrorism in accordance with United Nations Security Council resolution 2214 (2015). The Assembly **urges** all Libyan stakeholders to engage more seriously on the path of dialogue and reconciliation, bearing in mind that there can be no military solution to the conflict, and **expresses full support** to the United Nations-led political dialogue. The Assembly **commends** the neighbouring countries for their role in the search for a solution, **welcomes** the final communiqué of the 6th meeting of the Ministerial Committee of Libya's Neighbours, held in N'Djamena, Chad, on 5 June 2015, and **reiterates** the key role of the International Contact Group for Libya (ICG-L) and **encourages** the Commission, working with the United Nations, to enhance the effectiveness of the Group;

18. **Notes with deep concern** the continued impasse in the search for a solution to the conflict in Western Sahara and **underlines** the urgent need for renewed international efforts to facilitate an early resolution of the conflict. In this respect, the Assembly, recalling the advisory opinion given by the International Court of Justice (ICJ) on 16 October 1975, **calls on** the United Nations General Assembly to determine a date for the holding of the self-determination referendum for the people of Western Sahara and protect the integrity of the Western Sahara as a non-self-governing territory from any act which may undermine it. The Assembly **recalls** the Peace and Security Council communiqué of 27 March 2015 and, in this context, **renews** its full support to the African Union Special Envoy for Western Sahara, former President Joaquim Chissano. The Assembly **urges** the Security Council to fully assume its responsibilities, as well as to effectively address the issues of the respect for human rights and the illegal exploitation of the Territory's natural resources. The Assembly **encourages** the Chairperson of the Commission to pursue her efforts, based on international legality, and **calls on** Member States to make available the necessary capacity-building support to the people of Western Sahara;[1]

19. **Reiterates its deep concern** about the scourge of terrorism and violent extremism on the continent and **condemns in the strongest terms** the various terrorist acts committed on the continent, including in Somalia and Kenya by al-Shabaab, in north-eastern Nigeria and the neighbouring countries by Boko Haram,

[1] Reservation entered by the Republic of Senegal on paragraph 18.

in Mali and the larger Sahel, as well as in North Africa, by various terrorist groups. The Assembly **welcomes** the efforts and initiatives aimed at neutralizing the various terrorist groups active on the continent. The Assembly **emphasizes** the relevance of the steps agreed upon in the communiqué adopted by the Peace and Security Council at its 455th meeting, held at the level of Heads of State and Government in Nairobi, Kenya, on 2 September 2014, and **calls on** Member States to deploy additional efforts towards the implementation of the relevant provisions of the communiqué. The Assembly **requests** the Peace and Security Council to convene, before the year 2015, a meeting, at ministerial level, to review the implementation status of the Nairobi communiqué;

20. **Commends** the member countries of the Lake Chad Basin Commission (LCBC) and Benin for their sustained efforts to fully operationalize the Multinational Joint Task Force (MNJTF) established to combat the Boko Haram terrorist group, and **calls for** enhanced international support for MNJTF, and **welcomes** the steps taken by the Commission in support of the efforts of the LCBC countries and Benin. The Assembly **takes note with satisfaction** of the progress made by the Regional Cooperation Initiative for the Elimination of the Lord's Resistance Army (RCI-LRA), and **urges** continued efforts to fully neutralize LRA;

21. **Welcomes** the adoption by the Peace and Security Council of the Common African Position on the Review of the United Nations Peace Operations being undertaken by the High-level Panel appointed by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, and **calls on** all Member States to defend this position during the deliberations of the relevant United Nations organs on the report of the Panel;

22. **Recalls** the decision adopted at its 23rd ordinary session, held in Malabo in June 2014, in which it welcomed the proposal by Togo to host a conference on maritime security and safety, and **decides**, in view of the importance of the issue and based on the recommendations of the meeting of the Ministers of Defence and Security held in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, in May 2015, to transform this conference, scheduled to take place from 2 to 7 November 2015, into an extraordinary African Union Summit on Maritime Security and Safety and Development in Africa, and **encourages** the Commission and the Togolese Government to expedite the preparation process of this event;

23. **Commends** the Peace and Security Council for the successful organization of its Retreat on Issues **and** Challenges in the Promotion of Peace, Security and Stability in Africa, held in Swakopmund, Namibia, from 21 to 23 May 2015; **decides** to endorse the Conclusions and the concrete measures contained therein; and **requests** the Peace and Security Council to take steps towards their effective implementation.